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Fairfield County News.

Glenbrook Boy Joins Navy.

Edward Scofield of Glenbrook, has enlisted in the United States navy. His father went to Brooklyn and endeavored to obtain the boy's discharge. He was not successful.

Starlings Come to Stay.

The English starlings have come to Stamford to stay. They congregated in flocks and winter in holes in trees, and under the eaves of barns, and even occupy the spaces beneath the eaves and gutters of occupied houses. They have some very sweet notes, and it is very cheering on a cold day in winter to see this chubby short-tailed black bird swinging on the telephone wire, and to hear him warbling away as if it were a day in summer. If the starling is closely examined through a glass, one will find its winter plumage is speckled with small white and yellow spots. The summer plumage is an iridescent black.

Scarlet Fever.

Darien is somewhat alarmed by the number of scarlet fever cases in the town. On account of the prevalence of the disease, a number of children are being kept out of school. While the disease is not in any sense epidemic, still it has become too common for comfort.

Sparrows for a Pie.

At the Danbury railway station, Saturday, a man armed with a shot gun would wait until a bunch of sparrows became settled in one spot and then he would blaze away. Each shot was successful and a half dozen or more sparrows would lay down. The operation was repeated several times. To a reporter the man said he was gathering enough birds to make a pie and that sparrows were just as good to eat as rice birds. Asked if he was aware that there was a city ordinance which prohibited hunting in the city limits, or the discharge of firearms, he said the birds were on railroad property and he had received permission to kill them.

Danbury Company Bankrupt?

The Danbury National Bank, the D. G. Penfield Company and Joel G. Foster, all of Danbury, have filed a petition asking that the Wessells Company of Danbury be adjudged bankrupt. The company has an indebted-

SOUTHPORT.

Good news for Southport! A course of interesting lectures free. All illustrated with fine views will be given in Pequot Library Hall, beginning Tuesday evening, 8 o'clock, Feb. 9th. Dr. Thos. E. Patterson will then talk about Alaska and the Yukon; other lectures will treat of the New York Zoological Garden, Feb. 23; Labrador and Its Wonders, March 12; The Human River, March 25; Rome and the City of the Caesars.

Gift to Hospital.

The Danbury Hospital has received an unexpected gift. It comes from Mrs. William J. Fitzgerald, now of London, and consists of seven shares of stock of the Danbury National Bank and a check for \$200 in cash. The value of the gift is close to a thousand dollars.

Wants, To-Rent, For Sale, Etc.

Want a word in Farmer Want Column.

ARREST MADE IN HOPEWELL JUNCTION MURDER MYSTERY

Napoleon Monett in Custody in Holyoke to Await Extradition to Poughkeepsie New York.

(Special from United Press.)

Holyoke, Mass., Feb. 4.—Napoleon Monett of this city is locked up at police headquarters here awaiting the arrival here of officials from Poughkeepsie, N. Y., who charge him with the murder of John Cliff and the attempted murder of his wife on January 22 at Hopewell Junction.

Robbery is supposed to have been the motive for the crime as a large sum was stolen from the Cliff home. Monett is well known to the local police authorities, having on two previous occasions served time for minor crimes. In former descriptions of the man wanted.

PUBLIC OPINION AGAINST MINISTER

Despite Charges Against Azef He is Held in High Favor by Russians.

(Special from United Press.)

St. Petersburg, Feb. 4.—Public opinion to-day is turning in favor of Eugene Azef and against Minister Lopukhin. Despite Lopukhin's charges that Azef engineered many of the assassinations in Russia and served the royalists more than the government he seems to be held in high favor.

It is known positively that Azef engineered many plots against high officials of the police department and the czar himself and he is believed to have amply repaid the government for his retention in the dangerous offices. A high police authority declared to-day that the police department did not believe Azef an assassin while he was serving the government. The government knew he was a doubtful character but it was forced to employ such men to combat the desperate work of the Terrorists.

The fact that he was not always able to defeat the plots of the Terrorists without revealing his connection with the government is not considered proof that he was directly involved in these plots.

Lopukhin's betrayal of Azef is now considered to have lost the government the most valuable agent it had in combating the Terrorists and the former director is looked upon as the arch traitor more than Azef. The police deny the reports that Azef has been captured. The denials are probably true as the police would welcome his arrest as the only means of substantiating the department's denial that it is implicated in the crimes attributed to Azef.

MAY BE BITTER TARIFF FIGHT

IRRECONCILABLE DIFFERENCES IN HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

Washington, Feb. 4.—Differences have developed among the Republican members of the committee on Ways and Means that may result in a bitter fight over the tariff bill when it is presented in the House at the special session to be called in March. The stand pat element among the Republicans on the committee is in the minority. Representative Payne of New York and Representative John Dalzell of Pennsylvania are no longer standing shoulder to shoulder on the tariff. Here the way the committee is lining up at present:

Standpaters—Dalzell of Pennsylvania, Bonyng of Colorado, Needham of California, Forney of Michigan and Calderhead of Kansas.

For a revision downward, or at least a more liberal policy in that direction than those named above are inclined to agree to, the following are standing together: Payne of New York, McCall of Massachusetts, Hill of Connecticut, Boutwell of Illinois, and Longworth of Ohio.

Representatives Crumpacker of Indiana and Gaines of West Virginia have not identified themselves in their conclusions. They are voting on the merits of each proposition as it is presented.

Some of the differences are said to be irreconcilable and will have to be settled in a contest in the House.

MAY DESTROY THE ABYSSINIAN EMPIRE

(Special from United Press.)

Rome, Feb. 4.—The breaking up of the Abyssinian empire is threatened as the result of the clash between Emperor Taitou and Prince Lij, the youthful grandson of King Menelik as to which shall succeed the dying emperor. Reports to-day from Ankober say that the Neguses, or rulers of the various sub-kingdoms of the empire are disregarding the conflicting demands to join the forces of the claimants to the throne. The indications are that many of these sub-kingdoms will recede and vigorous warfare result.

The condition of King Menelik is still in doubt as the news from Addis Ababa is conflicting. It is believed however, that he can live but a few days.

PERSIA CANNOT BORROW MONEY.

(Special from United Press.)

Vienna, Feb. 4.—The borrowing power of Persia has been completely nullified by the action of the rebel headquarters at Tabriz and Isfahan in notifying the diplomatic corps at Tehran that the constitutionalists will not recognize any loan made to the Shah and until the Persian parliament approves the rebellion.

The ultimate success of the revolution is deemed so certain that it is improbable that any power would lend Persia money except in accordance with the terms of the revolutionists. Any other loan would undoubtedly be repudiated by the revolutionists in the event of their success.

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